Appln No. 10/593,857

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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-2 and 5-6 are now in the application. Claims 3 and 4 has been cancelled. In

addition, to expedite allowance, withdrawn Claims 7-12 have also been cancelled. Claims 1, 5,

and 6 have been amended. The Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of

the application in view of the amendment and the following remarks.

Claims 3 and 4 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph, for containing the

recitation of "a distance between the wafer edge and the dome is relatively longer than a distance

between a wafer center and the dome." The Applicant has cancelled Claims 3 and 4. As such,

the rejections of the claims under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph, are now moot.

Claims 1, 2, 5, and 6 are allowed. To make some minor improvement to their forms,

Claims 1, 5, and 6 have been amended. The Applicant respectfully submits that these minor

improvements to the forms of the recitals of Claims 1, 5, and 6 should not effect the allowability

of Claims 1, 2, 5, and 6 over the prior art. As such, Claims 1, 2, 5, and 6 should still be allowed.

In view of the foregoing, the Applicant respectfully submits that Claims 1-2 and 5-6 are

in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully

requested, and a timely Notice of Allowability is solicited. If there are any remaining issues that

can be addressed over the telephone, the Examiner is encouraged to call Applicant's attorney at

the number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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